GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
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Discharge of Sewage into Ganga River
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that 12 billion litres of sewage flows into Ganga river and its tributaries every day and 75% of Ganga Pollution comes through sewage from 144 drains flowing into the river, if so, the details and the facts thereof;
(b) whether 764 grossly polluting industries are located along the river, if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the action the Government proposes to take in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) & (b) As per data available from Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), the total sewage generation in Ganga basin states from all the Class-I and Class-II cities is 11386.60 Million Liters per Day (MLD).

The total industrial effluent generation discharging into river Ganga is 501 MLD. Industry wise effluent generation is tabulated below:

Sector specific industrial wastewater generation
Type of Industry Total Units Wastewater Generation (MLD)
Chemical 27 97.8
Distillery 35 37.0
Food, Dairy & Beverage 22 6.5
Pulp & Paper 67 201.4
Sugar 67 96.0
Textile, Bleaching & Dyeing 63 11.4
Tannery 442 22.1
Others 41 28.6
Total 764 501

(c) Cleaning of river Ganga is being carried out through various activities including treatment of municipal sewage, treatment of industrial effluent, river surface cleaning, rural sanitation, afforestation & bio-diversity conservation.
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